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SUBJECT: PRC AID INTENTIONS IN ZAIRE

1. DEPARTMENT HAS NOTED WITH INTEREST THE ARRIVAL IN ZAIRE ON JUNE 4 OF HUANG HUA, PRC MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, FOR TALKS WITH MOBUTU AND TOUR OF KOLWEZI AND LUBUMBASHI. IN CRITICIZING ALLEGED SOVIET AND CUBAN INVOLVEMENT IN SHABA, HUANG REPORTEDLY PLEDGED CHINESE SUPPORT FOR ZAIRE. THE PRC EMBASSY AT KINSHASA REPORTEDLY SAID THAT AMONG THE SUBJECTS HUANG WOULD BE DISCUSSING WITH THE ZAIRE GOVERNMENT WAS AID CHINA COULD GIVE ZAIRE.

2. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE BEING KEPT ABREAST OF PRC ASSISTANCE PLANS FOR ZAIRE. THIS IS PARTICULARLY
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IMPORTANT GIVEN THE CURRENT ECONOMIC SCENARIO EVOLVING FOR ZAIRE. THIS INCLUDES THE FIVE POWER MEETING TODAY IN PARIS ON ECONOMIC AND SECURITY MEASURES TO ASSIST ZAIRE IN THE WAKE OF THE KATANGAN ATTACK ON KOLWEZI; THE JUNE 13-14 MULTILATERAL MEETING AT BRUSSELS ON THE MOBUTU PLAN FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND REFORM; AND OUR FOLLOW-ON PLANNING TO THESE TWO MEETINGS DESIGNED TO ADDRESS THE

URGENT REQUIREMENTS OF THE ZAIRIAN SITUATION. VANCE

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